



PUNISHMENT, NOT INTERVENTION, WILSON'S PLAN Villa's Rear Guard Halts Pursuit of United States Troops

**FRENCH GAIN
ON MEUSE.**

**Drive Germans Out
with Bayonets.**

**Heavy Fire Stops the Invaders
Debouching from the
Corbeaux Wood.**

**French Capture the Village of
Vaux, a New and Com-
manding Position.**

**French's Victors the Victims in
Several Engagements Over
City of Verdun.**

**French Official Statement Is
Issued.**

**Argonne our artillery has
been our bombardment of
the enemy's communication
lines in the Eastern Argonne
and the region of Montfaucon and Nan-**

cy of the Meuse the enemy at-

tempted several counter-attacks during the night to regain ground lost yesterday. Two abortive attacks were preceded by an intense artillery preparation directed against Bethincourt. The attacks were stopped by our batteries, which prevented the enemy from debouching from the Corbeaux wood. The renewed efforts of the enemy have not been able to dislodge us from the large stretch of territory which we have reconquered and consolidated.

"East of the Meuse the struggle is being carried on with great bitterness since yesterday. At the end of the evening and during the night, between Douaumont and the village of Vaux, the Germans directed several powerful attacks. In spite of the intensity of the artillery fire and the violence of the infantry assaults the enemy was unable to make any impression on our line and has been completely repulsed. Some detachments of German infantry, which had penetrated the village of Vaux, were driven out immediately at the point of the bayonet by a counter-attack.

"In the West there has been an intermittent bombardment on both sides without any infantry action. In Lorraine a surprise attack west of the Le Pretre forest, resulted in the capture by us of twenty prisoners."

**ATTACK ON FORGES
SWEEPS FRENCH BACK.**

(BY ATLANTIC CABLE AND A. P.)
BERLIN, March 9. (via London, March 9.)—The attack on the village of Forges on the west bank of the Meuse, which resulted in the capture by the Germans, was rendered necessary by the fact that the French positions overlapped those of the Germans by several kilometers to the north. From the ridges of the Cote de l'Oie the French heavy artillery was able to take the Germans from the flank and rear. In the earlier phases of the operations the crown prince confined his attack to the eastern bank of the river.

At Forges there is a promontory which forces the Meuse to make a sharp bend toward the east. The German attack swept the French back from the river about two miles. The loss of Forges is a serious

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**CARRANZA CONSENTS
TO AMERICAN TACTICS.**

United States Cavalry May Pursue Villa and His Bandits Until Captured.

Sanction of the De Facto Government to Invade Mexican Territory Already Obtained by the Washington Administration—In a Sense this Action May be Regarded as Actual Intervention.

BY JOHN CALLAN O'DAUGHLIN.
(BY DIRECT WIRE—EXCLUSIVE DISPATCH.)
WASHINGTON BUREAU OF THE TIMES, March 9.—Punishment, not intervention. This is in a nutshell the policy of the President as a result of the wanton assault made by a column of Mexicans, under the command of Villa, upon the town of Columbus, N. M.

With the consent of the representatives of the Carranza government and, it is said, with the approval of Gen. Carranza, American cavalry is to pursue Villa's bandits until they have been killed or captured. This will necessitate pursuit upon Mexican soil. In a sense such action will be intervention. In the larger sense it will not have this aspect. It is not the intention of the administration to seek to pacify Mexico, which would be the cause of intervention. It is merely the intention to kill or capture the bandits who committed the depredations upon American soil. Those who may be apprehended, even including Villa, will be turned over to Gen. Carranza for punishment. This would mean their immediate execution.

WASHINGTON STIRRED.
Official Washington was deeply stirred by the outrage perpetrated by Villa on Columbus. There were mutterings in the Senate and House and preparations are being made by Senator Fall of New Mexico to force instant action through a Congressional resolution. The administration, however, does not propose to be driven by Congress. It intends to act itself in order that its purpose to secure punishment and redress may be understood both in the United States and Mexico. At the same time the President realizes he cannot shut off a debate, which will open up the entire Mexican question. To prevent it becoming embarrassing he deemed it wise to reach an immediate decision.

As a matter of fact, American troops had crossed into Mexico without waiting permission from Washington; indeed, in violation of the orders heretofore even not to leave American soil. From Gen. Funston, who is in command of the situation, there came late this afternoon a dispatch enclosing a report from Gen. Pershing of El Paso. The latter stated that "Five troops of cavalry are in pursuit with orders not to go more than two miles beyond the border."

The further statement was made that "Slocum recommends cavalry be sent if any number of troops are to go after Villa." Col. Slocum is in command of the detachment that followed Villa from Columbus. President Wilson, it is understood, is determined to bring Villa to swift punishment. To rely on Gen. Carranza with the small force he has available is to accomplish nothing. Such reliance was placed upon Carranza when seventeen Americans were taken from a train in Chihuahua a few weeks ago and shot. But it is also realized by the President that to intervene will be to do precisely the thing which Gen. Villa aimed to bring about when he led the attack upon Columbus.

The President does not propose to fall into any such trap. The question he has had to consider is first, whether there should be intervention and, second, how to capture and punish Villa and his

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Villa crosses and recrosses the border.

The upper panel, Villa in motion. The middle, a map of the region he invaded in New Mexico. The third panel, American cavalry in motion. United States cavalrymen are in pursuit of Villa and his outlaws and at late accounts were engaged in a pitched battle with them.

Qui Viva.

**ANOTHER ATTACK IS FEARED
BY AMERICANS ALONG BORDER.**

Military Headquarters Hears that Bandits have Already Crossed at Another Point—Force which Invaded Mexico Compelled to Halt in Its Pursuit—Main Body of Outlaws now Thought to be Making for Boca Grande River.

(BY A. P. NIGHT WIRE.)

COLUMBUS (N. M.) March 9.—A report reached here tonight and was relayed to military headquarters at Hachita, N. M., that a Villa force had appeared on the American side of the border west of here with the apparent intention of attacking the Seventh United States Cavalry border guard near that point.

SAN ANTONIO (Tex.) March 9.—Maj. Frank Tompkins, commanding the detachment of American troops, which pursued Gen. Villa and his bandits into Mexico after the attack early today on Columbus, N. M., has returned to the border, after engaging in three running fights with the Mexicans, who finally made a stand which stopped the advance of the American soldiers. This information was conveyed tonight to Maj. Gen. Frederick Funston, commanding the Southern Department, United States army, in an official report on the situation from Col. H. J. Slocum, in command at Columbus.

"All peaceful as a summer morning at this writing," was the way Col. Slocum described the situation in Columbus tonight.

Following is the text of Col. Slocum's report, as given out by Gen. Funston at Fort Sam Houston:

"When Villa troops fell back before daylight, we followed them with a dismounted line. At the same time I sent Maj. Tompkins with three troops mounted to attack. Tompkins followed them for about five miles into Mexico, having three running fights with them and they finally made a stand with their entire force and stopped Tompkins' advance and he returned here. We had one corporal killed in the pursuit. The Mexicans dropped considerable material and loot that they had gotten in town. I am reliably informed that it was Villa who made the attack with 1500 men, leaving about

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**MURDER, ARSON, THEFT,
BY VILLA IN AMERICA.**

**Outlawed Bandit Crosses the Border and
Kills Sixteen Citizens.**

**Cries of "Death to the Gringos" in Columbus, N. M.,
Drowned by the Rifle Fire of United States Troops Who
Continued Their Pursuit of the Marauders into Mexico
to Avenge Uncalled-for Attack.**

(BY A. P. NIGHT WIRE.)

COLUMBUS (N. M.) March 9.—Francisco Villa, outlawed Mexican bandit, raided United States territory today. With 1500 men he attacked Columbus, killed at least sixteen Americans and fired many buildings before he was driven back across the international border.

At least 250 troopers of the Thirteenth United States Cavalry followed the Villa band into Mexico. Reports to Col. H. J. Slocum late today stated that Villa had made a stand fifteen miles south of the border, where spirited fighting ensued. In this engagement an unnamed private was killed and Capt.-Adj. George Williams was wounded.

The raid to American territory proved costly to the bandit chieftain. The bodies of eighteen Mexican bandits, including Pablo Lopez, second in command, had been gathered and burned before noon and troopers reported an undetermined number of dead still lying in the brush.

"DEATH TO AMERICANS."

Led to the attack under the slogan, "Death to the Americans," Villa's followers fought with desperation. Just before dawn they crept along ditches skirting the United States cavalry camp and rushed the sleeping town, firing heavily.

The first volley brought American troopers into almost instant action. While a portion of the raiders engaged the cavalrymen, others detailed by the bandit chieftain began applying the torch and shooting American civilians who ventured from the buildings. Lights in homes and public buildings immediately became targets for snipers posted at Villa's direction. Other bandits, creeping close to American homes, enticed a number of civilians into the open with English spoken invitations. A number of fatalities are attributed to this ruse.

Stores were looted, oil was poured upon frame structures and the match applied by still other bandits. The postoffice was raided, furniture smashed, but the looters secured only one small registered package.

Many civilians barricaded themselves in their homes and fired at the Mexicans as they darted through the streets.

The fighting in the town ended almost as suddenly as it began. Less than two hours after the first shot was heard Villa's buglers sounded the retreat and the raiders began a disordered flight, closely followed by American troopers.

CAVALRY ON BORDER.

Three troops of cavalry were posted on the boundary tonight and a battalion of infantry with a squadron of the Eighth Cavalry from Fort Bliss left El Paso late today to reinforce the troops here. With these forces, Col. Slocum said he could handle any further attack which Villa, in desperation, might decide to make.

THE CASUALTIES.

The casualties of the Thirteenth Cavalry in the fight were seven killed and five wounded. Villa's total losses in the day's fighting were estimated in excess

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THE WORLD'S NEWS IN TODAY'S TIMES.

The Foremost Events of Yesterday: (1) Mexico. (2) The Verdun Battle. (3) Railway Men to Demand Eight-hour Day. (4) Congress. (5) Wall Street's Recovery from War Alarms.

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SUMMARY.

NEW YORK. Clear. Wind at 5 p.m., velocity 6 miles. Thermometer, 60 deg.; lowest, 63 deg. Precipitation: Fair and continued warm. For complete weather report see page of Part I.

THE CITY.

Attorney George P. gave an able review of points in the Scott Libel case against the Mirror Company.

A woman who gave her property to her husband's defalcation and was spirited away was released.

A prominent church worker who accused her husband of misconduct addressed a court her love for another.

A Pittsburgh steel magnate was seriously injured in a hospital here, suffering from a skull fracture.

A man of 72, dropped with a nurse and died in spite of the opposition of his family.

Police officers, fearing a lynching, shot the driver of a family of three.

A French Legion of Honor soldier, who died after a professor, spoke to the French.

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA.

Long County Commissioners have indicated they propose to clean the county in a few days.

A Los Angeles woman was found dead in the mountains back of

the city.

A California grape grower has agreed to accept the advance on an unforgotten wine.

Men in Los Angeles is sued for maintenance.

A Washington State tie up

between the Morgan of Los Angeles

and the Morgan of Los Angeles

is a mistake to jump at the wrong conclusion that all, or

part, of the more important news is to be found on the first page,

consult the index and the summary, then read the entire

page—and then get all the news of the day.

**ARMY AWAITS THE WORD
TO MOVE AGAINST VIL**

*Stung by Daily Insults, Officers Have
Difficulty in Holding Men Back.*

Watchful Waiting Policy has been Sore Trial to Soldiers on the Border—Thirty-five Thousand Effectives Might be Made Available for Service in a Week or Ten Days from Various Points.

[BY DIRECT WIRE—EXCLUSIVE DISPATCH.]

WASHINGTON BUREAU OF THE TIMES, March 9.—Outraged by the murder of their comrades and countrymen, about 30,000 American troops are waiting orders on the border of Mexico to avenge the spilling of American blood on American soil. Only the strict discipline of the regular army has kept the troops out of Mexico. Not half of the insults and indignities that have heaped upon the regular soldiers serving on the border have reached the public press. This country has been so deeply enmeshed with the European war that it has not paid much attention to the daily outrages on the Mexican border.

The "watchful waiting" policy of the administration has been a sore

Marfa, Tex., Troops C and E, Cavalry.
Fort Macintosh, Tex., Troops L and M, Fourteenth Cavalry.
Mercedez, Tex., Troop C, Cavalry.
Mission, Tex., Troops G, E, Cavalry; Troop E, Sixth Cavalry; quarters Co. M, and G, Third Cavalry, and Co. F, Twentieth Infantry.
Rio Grande City, Tex., Troop F, Third Cavalry.
San Antonio, Tex., Troop C, Sixth Infantry.
Sierra Blanca, Tex., Troop B, Cavalry.
Tejeda, Tex., Troop H, Cavalry.
Tejuela, Tex., Troop H, Cavalry.

In New Mexico, at Columbus, N. M., and M. Thierstein, F. G. Culbertson's ranch, Troop F, Cavalry; Hachita, Troops E and Ninth Cavalry.
El Paso, Texas, Donnell's

to commanders of British and vessels which Germany claimed that merchantmen armed for defensive purposes were to act offensively against German and Austrian submarines. It is understood to have been today through Sir Cecil Spring-Rice, the British Ambassador, that the first in the United States has taken since the admiral's officials have been studying a complete memorandum in which was announced that the United States warships armed merchant ships of the Entente allies, and the subsequent meeting of the subject was held at von Bernstorff, the German ambassador.

There were strong intimations that the British government would be given an opportunity to answer the German charges

to the soldiers on the border. The soldiers were so incensed that they had no means to take the officers of the army to control the enlisted men. If the army is sent into the border, the soldiers will be with a desire to punish the bandits that have been raiding the border. During the two years' service on the border, the soldiers had had an opportunity to study the Mexican method of fighting and the troops were never better trained for the border warfare than they are now. It is necessary to clear the country of its armed force.

Command of Maj.-Gen. Frederick Townsend, are stretched along the Mexican border from Brownsville, Tex., to Umaná, Ariz.

STRENGTH OF OUR ARMY.

They consist of fifteen regiments of cavalry, seven regiments of cavalry artillery, seven regiments of field artillery, with the necessary auxiliary troops to create a division at war strength, less than 25,000 men all told.

Roughly speaking, there are 10,000 regular troops scattered at posts throughout Barracoas, Sonora, Chihuahua, Coahuila, Durango, Nuevo Leon, Tamaulipas, to Fort Ethan Allen, Vermont.

The latest advice received at the War Department indicates that the Mexican border are stationed the following places:

Brownsville, Troops A, B, C and D.
El Paso, Troops E, F, G and H.
Fort Bliss, Troops I, J, K and L.
Fourth Field Artillery; Fourth Regiment of Infantry and an aero squadron.

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Slightly less than three weeks from today the most lavish distribution of valuable prizes ever announced in the Southland will take place; twenty days more and The Times great automobile campaign, that is making this possible, will pass into pleasant memories.

The splendid prizes have evoked the most earnest desires of womanhood in the Southland, and spirited efforts are being made to capture the best of the list.

Surprises Are Promised.

The time when every hour counts, the test of courage, is at hand. Nothing, it seems, can now stop the ambitious candidates from realizing their desires. With the goal almost in sight, and such magnificent prizes at stake, many surprises are promised. There's a feeling in the air that things are going to happen in rapid succession from now on, and busy days are being spent by candidates in preparation for any emergencies.

The Mighty Finish.

Picture the suspense that will follow the casting of the final ballots, on the last vote-mad days, until the judges read the list of names of those who have worked and won! An automobile for this candidate; another for that one—down to the last of the forty prizes. Will your name be among the lucky forty? Or, better still, will you be one of the "high eleven?"

The Future in Doubt.

In political campaigns, and others of like nature, results

can frequently be foretold, but in The Times campaign it is vastly different. Who knows what surprising advance this or that candidate will stage at the finish? Who knows what spectacular demonstration, now stored up ready to burst forth, may feature some candidate's quick rise to the top and victory? Several new candidates have entered within the last few days. They have a determined look. And they seem capable. How many votes will they command?

Working Busily Everywhere.

It is these questions that are bothering the other candidates not a little and sending them broadcast in search of votes and subscriptions. Late starters, who thus far have shown only a lukewarm interest, are adding to the uncertainty by giving evidence of real hustling. The only way to safeguard yourself against future untoward happenings—that may leave you just outside the pale of those who win—is to make every day count and to hustle as never before.

Spend Your Time Wisely.

Logically, the thing to do is to spend your time doing that which counts the most in votes. And that is done by securing new subscriptions. The field for these is wide, unlimited. You can even cover the ground you have been over before, by securing extensions from short-term subscribers you have obtained earlier. If they were new in the first place, they will count as new now. Study the "second-payment" scale on this page, and see how valuable they are.

An announcement will appear in The Times Sunday that will be of great importance to every candidate, as well as late starters and new entrants. In the meantime, nothing will be lost by turning in your subscriptions as soon as you secure them.

Standings of contestants today includes all votes received to noon yesterday—tabulated on the Burroughs adding machine.

Note that only a few subscriptions will enable any candidate, now at the bottom of the list, to equal and even surpass the leaders. Now is the time when a few good strokes will send him ahead, and enable you to cross the winning line. Think it means to win in this campaign—then GO AFTER IT.

Second Payment Scale

Every candidate should clip this scale and paste it in her receipt book for future reference as it will be the means of securing thousands of votes. Hundreds of new subscriptions for short terms have been secured by the candidates since this campaign started. Get these short term subscriptions to extend their subscriptions to any length of time up to and including two years and you will be given credit for the full amount of votes.

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Suburban Property.

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TREND OF THE FINANCIAL NEWS.

CHIEF EVENTS OF YESTERDAY.
(At Home.) Whatever fears remained in financial and industrial circles over the foreign situation were dissipated and trading was on the largest scale for many weeks. Activity centered principally on domestic investment securities, while war stocks were also in demand. Wheat markets were stronger, with a better foreign demand. Hops touched their highest price since 1910. (For details see financial pages.)

FLOWER OF FRANCE.

The purple of the blue flag this year is like the passion of bleeding France. If they are that to us, here in the peace and happiness of our glad United States, how must their beauty stir the hearts of the people of that land where the fleur de lis is the national flower!

CATCHING WILD STREAMS.

How blessedly new and untamed this California of ours is! Some rangers have actually discovered a new 100-foot waterfall in a hitherto unexplored part of the Angeles Forest Reserve. It is to be hoped that this is not a wet-weather stream, but is a permanent cataract that has previously avoided capture.

SPRING LETANIES.

In the glory of this March month, which with us is high spring, the hill crests are covered with those small pink and white blossoms that, in the delicacy of their coloring, are like little tender thoughts that steal into the heart quite without our knowing, leaving it happier and better as if soft wings had brushed our cheeks.

TELEPHONE SLUGS.

According to the Board of Utilities an average of seven slugs per month find their way into the slot public telephones and one district reached as high as 300. It would seem that the telephone slug is in a fair way to become a regular nuisance, and the telephone companies cannot be blamed for endeavoring to have the using of a slug declared a misdemeanor.

There is something peculiarly despicable in the petty fraud; for, as the board points out, the majority of the people who use public telephones are those who do not in any way support the telephone system of the city as regular subscribers.

THE GREAT PICTURE.

Somebody asked if motion pictures would not have a big hand in the development of the next race. Then he hastily explained that he meant the next generation. He was right in the first place. Moving pictures belong not so much to the triumph of closing of history for one race as the ushering in of a new. It may only appear so because we are all close to it, but the present generation seems to be bringing to earth some wonderful new light that yesterday was as the dawn begins now to burst with noonday effulgence. Moving pictures fit into the great picture; they belong to the big scheme.

TRAVELING ON WAR VESSELS.

It is admitted by the British government that British liners are authorized and directed to attack German submarines and are armed for that purpose, as well as for defensive purposes, that turns every armed merchantman into an auxiliary cruiser and makes it the right and the duty of the United States as a neutral power to hunt the stay of such a vessel in an American port to twenty-four hours.

Americans who were anxious to enjoy the thrills of being submerged could do so by taking passage to or from Halifax. Their widows, however, would have no claim, because they would have been traveling on a vessel of war.

AWAKENED AT LAST.

Any night now you are liable to hear the call of the bugle, the beat of the drum and the tramp of many feet down the street that passes your house. Every town and way station is having its own company or battalion of the State militia. Different clubs, societies and schools are also organizing companies. One fraternity in this city has such a scheme under way, and a class at a law school is doing so. Over at San Bernardino men who are interested in military affairs in any way have organized a club with a big membership. A Pasadena church club has gone on record as favoring military training in the high schools. The point is that the big work is done—America has really been aroused as to the need of preparedness.

AN OLD-NEW PROBLEM.

Speaking before the Public Affairs Committee of the Friday Morning Club on Tuesday, William D. Spaulding called attention to the age-worn problem of charity supervision. Reading an old Council report of the Flemish town of Ypres, nearly 200 years old, he found that they were devising ordinances to control and supervise charity, against which they had all the same incidents of wastefulness, overlapping, inefficiency and immoderate overhead expenses which are agitating Los Angeles at the present time.

There is no record that they succeeded in reforming the conditions, however, and it remains for this city to make a better job of it. The recent Supreme Court decision leaves the city with somewhat negative powers, and the opposition is particularly strong from the religious bodies, but it ought not to be impossible to find some method of enforcing greater efficiency.

LET US INVOKE RETORSION.

The ground upon which Great Britain seized upon the high seas three ships belonging to an American corporation, confiscated them without trial, and put them to work in her transport service, was not that they were carrying contraband—for the Hocking was in ballast on her way from New York to Norfolk, and the other ships were in Southern Atlantic waters, one westward bound and the other loaded with coal.

The ground assigned for the seizure was that, although the ships belonged to an American corporation, some of the stockholders of the corporation were Germans and the vessels were therefore "enemy property." This was denied by the officers of the corporation, but if it had been true it would not have justified the seizure, for the property of a corporation belongs to the entity and not to its members individually. A stockholder might sell or pledge his stock but he could not sell or pledge any portion of the property of the corporation. A judgment creditor of a stockholder could not levy on a locomotive belonging to a railroad company, or the goods of a mercantile corporation, or the bullion bars belonging to a mining company.

The pretense of enemy ownership in the stock of the American company owning these vessels was so utterly absurd in law and in logic it is a marvel that it should have been advanced by a civilized government as a justification for an act of pure piracy.

The real reason for these seizures may have been that such seizures would tend to discourage a rapid upbuilding of American commerce by the purchase of neutral ships or the building of ships by American corporations having Germans among their stockholders, and a growth of an American mercantile marine is considered undesirable by Britain. Another reason may have been that so many of the mercantile ships of Great Britain have been sent to the bottom of the sea by German submarines that England needed these three American ships for her transport service and it was cheaper to steal them than to build them, even if at the outcome she should be compelled to pay for them, for she could resort to years and years of diplomatic dallying before the claim for their seizure could be "adjusted," and in the meantime she would have the use of the ships.

It is the duty of Great Britain under international law to restore these ships to their original condition—that is, to the place from whence they were taken, with a money compensation for their use between the date of their seizure and the date of their return and a proper apology for their seizure.

If Britain refuses or long neglects to comply with the demand of our government for the return of these vessels it will be the right of the United States to invoke "retorsion." "Retorsion" is a measure of restraint short of war. In international law it is "a term applied to the action of a state in treating the subjects of another state in substantially the same way in which the latter state has treated the subjects of the state using the retorsion. It is merely the application of the lex talionis applied to nations" (Daniels' Wheatons Int. Law notes 131; Rivers Droit des Gens 189). "We could, for instance, seize three British merchant ships on the high seas, anchor them in an American harbor in charge of an American guard and notify His Majesty's government that we would take good care of them until our ships were returned or their value paid—not 'put in process of adjustment' and not promised to be paid in the sweet by-and-by, but paid.

FIFTEEN PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGNS.

The Republican party will, in three months, enter upon its sixteenth quadrennial campaign. In none of these battles has it had cause to regret its declaration of principles and in only one has it had cause to regret its choice of a standard-bearer. Fremont—pioneer in politics as on the mountainside—ever bearing aloft the torch that was to light generations along the pathway broken by his restless feet—was its first candidate for the Presidency. Lincoln—great in purpose, noble in principle, patriotic in impulse and matchless in judgment, whether of measures or men—was its second and third candidate.

Grant—patient of toll, serene amid alarms, inflexible in faith, invincible in arms—was its fourth and fifth candidate.

Hays—conscientious, careful and conservative—was its sixth candidate.

Garfield—a scholar, a statesman and a soldier, at once erudite and enthusiastic; a man who thought in Greek and acted in Anglo-Saxon—was its seventh candidate.

Blaine—the Henry Clay of his time, with "a tongue of fire steeped in honey," and a breadth of statesmanship that embraced a hemisphere—was its eighth candidate.

Harrison—pastmaster of eloquent diction—was its ninth and tenth candidate.

McKinley—patriotic, devoted, rich in the graces of statesmanship and wise in "saving common sense"—was its eleventh and twelfth candidate.

Taft—jurist, statesman, orator, originator of measures and leader of men—was its fourteenth and fifteenth candidate.

These are the men of an epoch of sixty years. They led a great party whose principles are written in the organic and statute laws of States and nation, and whose achievements are its boast and its pride. The Republican party in fifteen Presidential campaigns has met with defeat in but three of them. It has never been a party of compromises. It has never attempted to fasten incongruous elements together with the muck of office expediency. It has never believed that real good or anything but real harm could possibly come from a mixture of inharmonious political elements or from a forced cohesion between those who were Republicans from principle and those who were Republicans "for revenue only."

Today, and especially in this State, the first duty of an honest, conscientious Republican is to his party rather than to any member of it. The California Republican delegation may not be able to exercise a controlling influence on results at Chicago, but it will greatly affect results in California.

The Republican party of this nation will speak at Chicago as with one voice for a restoration of the policy of protection and for a retention of the American flag in all

Take This With You!



the lands where American valor has planted it.

On this platform it will place only true and tried Republicans. For the self-seekers who three years ago combined to ruin the party when they found they could not rule it, it has no use. The false pilots who steered the ship upon the rocks will not be again trusted at the helm. For the time servers and whiffers and job-chasers who barked in approbation when the head traitors growled and who sneezed with delight when their masters took snuff it has no use. But for the great masses who were deluded into leaving the Republican party, and who are now content to return to it, it has a warm and hearty welcome unmingled with chiding.

A political party in many respects resembles an army. It is organized primarily not merely to gain power or procure office for its members, but to promote a policy or defend a cause. Incidentally its soldiers may legitimately expect to obtain advancement or win fame by meritorious service, but if the incident becomes the main object, if the party falls under the control of intriguers who are willing to jeopardize the success of the cause in order to forward their own aspirations or defeat the aspirations of rivals, then the organization ceases to be an honorable army and becomes a horde of bandits.

The hope of Republican success in California this fall rests in the unity of Republicans—unity of purpose, unity of plan, unity of effort. We need the help of many Republicans who can make a speech or write an article or sing a song or organize a club; or draw a check. We do not need the co-operation and will not accept the self-imposed leadership of any brawling self-seeker who flourishes a gad and attempts to "gee haw" the team into his private corral. Republicans are proud-spirited, independent men, and if they find themselves entangled in the meshes of somebody's spite, somebody's desire for dominance, somebody's unappeasable hunger for office and loot, somebody's determination to down somebody else, they may, in their disgust, stay away from the polls altogether and permit Democrats to win rather than suffer themselves to be chained as satraps at the chariot wheels of Johnson.

The Times advocates neither the success nor the downfall of individuals except as such success or downfall may promote the return to power in California of the Republican party, to whose interests it has been loyally devoted all its journalistic life.

A GROWING HOME INDUSTRY.

California-made lubricants, shipped East by the railroad and exported to the entire Pacific Coast of Spanish America, the Orient and Australia, form a feature of the State's industrial development during the last few years. Formerly there was a widespread belief that good lubricants could not be made from the California asphalt-base oil, a theory that is simply ridiculous to any man who knows. Sufficient evidence of this fact should have been found years ago in the wonderful success of Russia in making from an oil very similar in character lubricants acknowledged everywhere to be far superior to those made from the paraffin-base oils.

Russian lubricating oils have long commanded a premium in the markets of the world because of their superiority. They are especially good for withstanding the extremes of cold weather and of the low temperatures incidental to such industries as the manufacture of ice. At last the equality or superiority of California's lubricating oils is winning recognition and now they command a premium in eastern markets over the best Pennsylvania oils. The fact that now not a gallon of Russian oil can get here may have helped along this recognition, but more important factors have been the thorough and painstaking investigations of the experts of the United States navy and of the Ford and Packard companies and their positive reports in fa-

LUNG TROUBLE.

BY EUGENE BROWN.

"This being a Democrat is almost as hard as being a vegetarian," remarked the oldest inhabitant, as he wished the price of the torches on me. "The trouble is that the party has wings enough to fly with, but it doesn't seem to be getting anywhere. I am about ready to become a prohibitionist and practice bootlegging for a living. The Democrats get their sea dogs from the pressroom and their war dogs from the law shops. Then they draft their statesmen from the brush piles of Oklahoma and North Carolina and then think they're ready to do business with the soldiery and diplomacy of the old world. They might mean well, but how do they expect to get away with it?"

"Well," said I, cheerfully, "with Prosy Wilson on the job, what boot?" "Wilson is all right," said the old man; "but if it wasn't for the Republicans he'd get lonesome. I'll bet money that if it wasn't for the Republicans keeping them in line the majority of the Democrats in Congress would be on the other side of the fence from their President. The worst thing in the world a country can have on hand in ticklish times is a bunch of woolly Congressmen with their muscled off and their lungs working. They have no conception whatever of world affairs nor the possible construction put upon their blarney beyond their own dunghill. Some crazy guy who runs a country store in Arkansas breaks into Congress and is permitted to relay his impressions in the legislative hall. If he should happen to say the word 'Tut-tut' would promptly grow more arrogant than ever. From what I have gathered from such foreign papers as have come here from the warring countries the public sentiment concerning the attitude and condition of this country is based largely on the careless ejaculations of demagogues and irresponsible Congressmen."

"You don't seem to think much of our brand of statesmanship and of shiraleave diplomacy," interrupted I. "I do not! The human voice as raised in the halls of Congress can do more harm in time of stress than the ships of a foe. When the real trouble comes it will be up to the President to suppress Congress and send it back to the brush."

"But he can't do it, though." "More's the pity. Look at the ravings of your man Gore. 'Tis a pity he wasn't dumb instead of blind. It doesn't seem possible that an American Senator could stand up on his hind legs in public and break off such an inexcusable and diplomatic speech. He would have been shot for it in Russia and he could hardly get away with it in England. A man as careless as that would smoke a cigarette in a powder mill. Over the sea sentiment believes the President said the insane words attributed to him by the wild man of Oklahoma, and it will take months of labor to change that impression."

"Oh, well, everybody in the world knows that this country is not adequately prepared for a real war," said I. "There's no sense in letting a lot of leather-oriental Congressmen advertise the fact either one way or the other. In handling foreign affairs the nation must necessarily largely trust the President and the Secretary of State. They feel their responsibility and the people have given it to them with that end in view. What gets my goat is that some sagebrush politician who thinks Bulgaria is a drink can queer a lot of diplomacy by asking a lot of foolish questions or making insane remarks just because he happens to be in Congress. I'll him go behind the bars and sing 'I'm a record for his own phonograph, but leave the rest of us alone."

"We'll be all right now; we've got a new Secretary of War," I argued. "Maybe so, but I don't think it. With a country editor at the head of the navy, a dreamy lawyer at the head of the army, and a misanthrope on the Supreme bench I am still glad that there are some Republicans left."

STREAKS OF WIT.

Some Do Worse.
[Kansas City Journal:] "She says she wouldn't marry the best man on earth. Pious of girls say that. 'Kiddie' says, 'Oh, I don't know. Some girls mean it. Some of them are looking for wealth.'"

Wait the Law's Action.
[Pittsburgh Post:] "I have just been reading the Constitution of the United States."
"Well."
"And I was surprised to find out how many rights a fellow really has."

A Wise Man.
[Tiger:] "What makes you sit there and toot that horn?"
"Charley told me to," said the fair one, "so I won't hear the things he says while he's fixing the machine."

Correct.
[University of Michigan Awgwan:] Professor: What three words are used most among college students?
Weary Fresh: I don't know.
Professor: Correct.

Not Any.
[New York Sun:] The sphinx pronounced a riddle.
"How many girls would swim out beyond the danger line if the life guard was a woman?" she asked.

Not Born for War.
[Michigan Gargyle:] Professor: You're not enough of a militarist, Mr. Smythe. Student Smythe: Why so, sir?
Professor: Every time I call on you, you're not prepared.

Enough to Worry Him.
[Puck:] "Badderger seems to be always worrying over something."
"Yes; he is generally troubled with three kinds of trouble all at the same time—all the trouble he has ever had, all he has now, and all he ever expects to have."

A Remunerative Profession.
[Christian Register:] Mr. Newman had just recovered from an operation and was talking to a friend.
"The surgeon," he remarked, "said he'd have me on my feet again in three weeks."
"Well, he did it, didn't he?" asked the friend.
"He did, indeed," responded Mr. Newman. "I had to sell my motor car to pay his bill."

PEN POINTS

BY THE STAFF.

It will soon be warm enough for the birds to put on their summer fur.

A bachelor girl always has a last resort. An old maid may or may not be reinforced.

Perhaps the big fleet of the future is coming out of the harbor at Wilmington simply for exercise.

The reply of the allies to President Wilson's mail protest contains about the same words. Some note, that.

Nothing ever fits in this world. The man who doesn't know how to cook always tries a man who hasn't the price in his board.

We are of a self-sacrificing race and the shortage on account of the war, it is necessary for American manufacturers to dye for the ladies.

When earth's last picture is painted the tubes are all twisted and tried and will be somebody "demanding" the resignation of Col. Roosevelt.

It is believed that Brandeis will be affirmed as a Justice of the United States Supreme Court in time to enable him to retire on the age limit.

Seattle has again elected Mayor C. Gill by about 6000 majority. The Gill habit will develop up there, certainly has come back.

Don't hear of the millions of English soldiers who were supposed to be "in France." The French and German busy, but where is John Bull?

Verdun is about as far from Paris as Los Angeles is from San Diego, and that is a hike if the roads are washed out and walking is nothing to brag of.

We never could understand why a man of about 250 pounds should have the nerve to refer to her as "Little Sambo."

Reports from the Far East indicate that Persia is covered in the movement of fighting troops. Won't someone slip the information to the Shah?

Someone writes to know what is the form of declining a proposal of marriage from a lady. And, speaking of the defense, what do you think of the preparedness?

Congressmen Stephens and Clegg are announcing they will send over to Europe any constituent; but whether the thing is a sideshow, monkey show, or a Hawaiian nobody seems to know.

The greatest thing in the world is to pay home. And the average man doesn't appreciate it until it is gone from his pocket. Make it happy, if it is not yours, so, and cherish it in your heart of hearts.

Happy Southern Californians! On Monday morning we can look out over the Pacific and see the ocean west of shore and then gaze at the neighborly sea men washing something up and down interesting.

Newton D. Baker, the new Secretary of War, says he knows nothing about military matters, never having even played soldier. But he won't have to know anything under the Wilson administration.

"Gum-Slice" Bill Stone says the wish of President Wilson is to have the United States out of the war. Gore insists that the President will stay with Germany might not be a bad thing and they are both honorable men.

It is now declared that Rubens did not settle on the island of Fernand at all, but on an island in the Caribbean Sea. Will not someone leave us a single myth of our own? Soon they will be saying that there is such thing as a fairy.

When a man reaches middle life he is able to look back and swear that his home opinion the woman of his youth and the mother of his babies took on the chance. And if he is real honest he knows he will admit that whatever he has had can be laid at her door.

Col. Ike Sherwood of the Toledo district says he will decline to be a candidate for re-election, being opposed by military propaganda. What a shame! As Republican Greenbacker and Co. he has had his mouth on the political wood may change his mind—no wonder so many a time, yes, many a time.

The Wilson administration adheres to the rule that has always prevailed when the Democrats are in. The infirmities are incurable. The party and the economic questions the party has been able to grapple with have been and our dealings with foreign countries have been vacillating, temperamental, and at loose ends. No real friend of the Wilson will deny any of these things who runs may read.

THE CALL.
I would go out and walk in the sun. And catch yellow butterfish. I want to tangle my hair in the wind. As I run with my face to the sun. I want to lie down on the beach and earth.

And touch the grass as it grows. Cloud would I be with the wind. Weed in the wild wind that blows. LANNIE HAYDEN

HERO'S MODEST STORY OF WAR

Legion of Honor Man Speaks of Alliance Francaise.

Professor in Noted University Twice Decorated.

Horribly Wounded in Charge on German Trenches.

Dr. Joachim Merliant was professor of rhetoric in the University of Montpellier when the war broke out. He was known as a writer of impeccable prose; as an ornament to the university school in the Province of Languedoc. Last night, with the month of March, the Legion of Honor in his button and one arm a network of French medals, he spoke to the Alliance Francaise at the Friday morning Club House on "French Heroism."

There was nothing in Dr. Merliant's talk about himself. In fact, he insisted yesterday, with eloquent stress on his shoulder, that there was nothing in his scholar's scoop, even after over a year of "soldiering." He is fragile in appearance.

But war came to France as a battering ram. Within the month of the beginning of hostilities there was a pupil or a professor left at the University of Montpellier, according to Dr. Merliant, except those who were in the service by age or inclination.

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and back over the front of a suit case. An assassin standing near the car, in leaning back, turned and shot at the assassin. He placed his foot upon the accelerator. The car moved under the added pressure of the assassin's foot. The assassin lost control, and the car was wrecked.

MISSING WITNESS.
The principal witness in the case of the shooting at Yuma, several years ago, was missing yesterday by Deputy Sheriff and Sepulveda. He was arrested and taken to the Yuma Sheriff's office. The case of the murder of the assassin disappeared.

AND HIS SUBJECT.
The assassin, who was held this noon at the Yuma Sheriff's office, will be an address to the public. He will discuss the past and future of Poland. It is expected that the dinner will be large.

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Y.M.C.A.	9	4	.692
L.A.A.C.	9	4	.692
Whittier Crescents	8	6	.571
Woodlawn	7	7	.500
Glendale	5	9	.357
U.S.C.	4	12	.250
L. A. Normal	0	14	.000

(SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE.)
WHITTIER, March 9.—The Crescents surprised everybody here tonight by defeating the Whittier College champions, 23 to 22. There was no fuke to the victory, either. It was clean-cut.

NOTHING DOING.
The A.A.U. champions made only one field goal during the first half. Team crouched under the goal and kept them from shooting the baskets. All of their attempts were from mid-court and were wild. Sharpless rushed to the rescue by shooting four foul goals. In the meantime Brownell and his co-workers were busily annexing eighteen points.

Between halves Coach Wilson hissed a few words in the Quakers' ears. But the champions were really too off form to be stirred by words of eloquence. They tried hard during the second half. They scored more baskets than the Crescents, but the game had been lost fifteen minutes before. They could not overcome that twelve-point lead.

INTEREST FALLS.
The winning of the championship a couple of weeks ago has made the Quakers lose interest in the game. They have been enjoying a sort of a let-down. This is thought to have been largely responsible for the defeat tonight. The collegians were away off form, at any rate. With nothing at stake they simply could not get going.

The line-ups:
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ADDITIONAL SEATS BEING CONSTRUCTED.

(BY DIRECT WIRE—EXCLUSIVE DISPATCH.)
OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE (Corvallis, Or.) March 9.—Plans are being made for the construction of additional seating accommodations for the large attendance already assured at the far western indoor track meet, which will be held April 1 in the Oregon Agricultural College armory.

The list of colleges, athletic clubs and secondary schools which will enter teams in the big meet continues to grow. St. Mary's and Santa Clara colleges are the most recent to announce that they would enter teams. The exact personnel of their teams is not yet decided. The Seattle Athletic Club, Multnomah Club and the Spokane Athletic Club are among organizations most recently sending word that they would be represented. The Denver Athletic Club has decided that it will be impossible to send a team to the coast.

**SPECIAL PROGRAMME
FOR RINK OPENING.**

Tonight promptly at 7 o'clock the grand opening of the ice skating rink at Harlow's Cafe will take place. A special programme has been arranged by Manager Fred Harlow.

In order that the local public may have the best management has made arrangements for bringing to this city the best skaters in the country. It is the plan of Mr. Harlow to change his programme each week, at the same time add new principals to the bill.

VANDERBILT TO SANTA MONICA.

(BY DIRECT WIRE—EXCLUSIVE DISPATCH.)
NEW YORK BUREAU OF THE TIMES, March 9.—It was learned today that the Vanderbilt Cup Automobile race will be held this season over the Santa Monica (Cal.) course in the latter part of April.

Llewellyn A. Nares, a member of the Board of Commerce of Fresno, Cal., applied to Henry B. Anderson, official representative of the Motor Cups Holding Corporation which has control over the trophy and the race, for permission to hold the race at Fresno this year, but he was informed that all arrangements had been completed by which the big race was to go to Santa Monica this year.

The Sheepshead Bay Speedway Corporation and the Indianapolis Speedway Corporation had applied for the contest, but their requests were rejected because of the objections of the donor of the cup, W. K. Vanderbilt, Jr., to holding the race on a track.

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CAN FRANK GOTCH THROW DEMETRAL THE GREEK?

Once Greatest of All Champions Confident that He Can
Win—Demetral Appears in First-class Shape but Does
Not Say Much—Will be the Greatest Wrestling Bout
Ever Seen Here.

BY HOWARD ANGUS.

FRANK GOTCH, the champion wrestler of the world, will try to come back at the Los Angeles Athletic Club tonight after four years of retirement and following the plow in Iowa. He will be pitted against William Demetral, the Greek champion.

The bout will tell the tale, too, as far as the comeback is concerned. There is only one wrestler in the United States harder to throw than Demetral. He is Joe Stecher. Even he has sidestepped the Greek. It took Gotch at the height of his career just fifty-eight minutes to throw the Greek. That bout ended unsatisfactorily by the Greek's arm being broken when the two grapplers fell off the platform. So if Gotch wins tonight he has come back.

A BIG-LEAGUE AFFAIR.
The bout itself has aroused more interest in the sporting world than any that has been held in years. Thirty-five thousand dollars has already been offered for a Stecher-Gotch bout. Higher bids than that one will be put in. So the public would like to know if Frank Gotch is the invincible who made the powerful Hackenschmidt, called the Russian Lion, quit, and Yusuf Mah-mout, known as the Terrible Turk, look like a novice. There is just a little fear all over the country that Gotch is an old man, as Foley said he was. Tonight's bout is the best way to find out. That's why everybody is interested.

There is one man more interested than anybody else. He's Jim Jeffries. While Gotch is in the ring grappling, Jeff will be holding a watch on the match. He will be a sharp reminder to Gotch on the mat of the other great champion who tried to come back and who failed miserably.

RESERVED SEATS GONE.
So great has been the demand for seats that only the general-admission seats are left. All of the reserved ones were grabbed up like so many hot cakes during a breakfast rush hour. There are only 600 general-admission tickets and the club men expect a pleasant evening trying to keep those back who get left out tonight.

No man could be more confident of his ability to come back than Gotch. He has never for a moment dreamed that there is the remotest possibility of Demetral throwing him. Nor does he doubt his ability to get Stecher later.

IN GREAT SPIRITS.
In his workout at the club yesterday he was just like a big, good-natured boy. He played with Charlie Daggett, Bill Huber and Noah Young. Most of the time he was kidding them or joshing some spectator. After working out he spent the rest of the afternoon showing a friend from Iowa over the club and taking him on an automobile ride over the south. His whole attitude toward the bout was one of indifference. He was a great deal more interested in the fact that he had to have a rip in his tights mended than that he had to wrestle at all.

Gotch is not in the condition he was when he wrestled Hackenschmidt and Mah-mout, and admits it frankly. He does not think that he will ever be in as perfect condition again.

"Shucks, I can't expect it," he said yesterday. "I'll be 40 next month."

But the big Iowa is in much better condition than anybody would think who has not seen him. He has a layer of fat on his stomach, but it's skin fat—not muscle. He can pull it away from his muscles just as if it were skin. His muscles are like iron.

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Champion and challenger.
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GREENS BEAT BLUES, BUT LOSE POLO TOURNAMENT.

(BY DIRECT WIRE—EXCLUSIVE DISPATCH.)
SAN DIEGO, March 9.—The Blue team, captained by Thomas Le Boutillier, II, won the visitors' cup competition by three points, although the final game today of the match was won by the Greens, captained by Harry Weiss. The score was 14 to 4 in favor of the Greens.

The victory for the Greens was especially interesting, as they won flat, the Blues having started with two goals by handicap. Considerable money was bet among the polo men on the Greens.

The game was an exciting one and at half time the score stood, 4 to 4 in favor of the Blues, the Greens having almost equaled the Blues after giving them two goals by handicap.

Cliff M. Weatherwax, the Portland poloist, did some brilliant playing for the Blues and made three of their goals. In the third chukkur Weatherwax was hit on the head by a terrific blow from a flying ball and after riding for a few seconds in a dazed condition, was caught by one of the other players as he was falling from the horse. He lay unconscious for some minutes, but recovered and continued the game. The ball broke the helmet that he was wearing and would doubtless have injured the man seriously if it had not been for the hit.

Max Fleischman, also on the Blue team, played splendidly by stopping the ball many times as his opponents attempted to goal. On the Green team, Harry Pattes was the star of the day and riding his splendid little ponies, Moro, Judy and Frisco, he made a number of spectacular plays. Pattes made five goals.

Before today's game the standing of the teams was as follows: the White team having been eliminated Tuesday. Blue team, 12½ points; allowed by handicap from Green team two points; total, 14½ points.

ROY BATES REPORTS TO VERNON CLUB.

Roy Bates put in an appearance yesterday and reported for duty to the Vernon club. The ex-Beaver seemed entirely agreeable to his new location and expressed a desire to get to work at once. Ellis Johnson also registered with the local club and looks in wonderful shape.

Mr. Wad

Pomona Hopes to Lick the Quakers at That.

season before he was with the Baltimore Federals where he hit .303, stealing thirty-two bases.

Guess who this is?

It is none other than Miss Eleanor Sears of Boston, who has ideas of her own about conduct and clothes and who has a lot of fun shocking the nice old ladies. Here she is, snapped on the beach at Coronado a few minutes after her arrival. The lady, it might be explained, is about to catch a baseball.

the minor leagues. If such a
re can be proved against the big
agers they can be fined heavily.

infelders and eight outfielders. Walt Johnson was the only pitcher in the party, all of the others being numbered among the first squad, which arrived in camp March 1.

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BIGGER OPERA PLANS.

LARGE CITIES WORKING FOR A NATIONAL SCHEME.

By Grace Kingsley.

The Boston Grand Opera Company and Pavlova Ballet Russe organization is to become a national affair, with a forty weeks' season, instead of twenty, as heretofore, according to a statement made yesterday by Max Rabino, general manager. This does not imply Federal financial aid, but merely the fact that there is a movement in thirty of the larger cities to arrange for a season of grand opera every year for the next five years. Many of the larger cities already have committees at work. Manager Behymer is at present organizing such a committee in this city, his plan being to secure the aid of 500 citizens to the purchase each of a hundred dollars worth of tickets, to serve as a guarantee to the opera company.

Mr. Rabino states that many of the smaller cities are clamoring to be allowed to take part in the movement, his secretary being busy conducting his correspondence along this line at present.

So great has been the success of the opera season this year that Mr. Behymer believes he will have little trouble in securing the co-operation of citizens along this line.

Washington is to be the home of the organization, negotiations being under way at present for the building of a large opera house.

For the first time in the history of grand opera in this country the season will be forty weeks, instead of twenty. This will insure two weeks to the larger cities like San Francisco and Los Angeles.

The new movement will serve to introduce several Russian operas, of which we have had few in the past. Other operas will be sung in French, Italian and English. Rubinstein's opera, "Demeter," will be one of the three Russian operas to be sung. Rubino's own "Enchanted Garden," with music by the young English composer, Joseph Holbrooke, will be one of the other offerings. "Iris" is to be sung, as will also "Lakme."

Mrs. Pavlova is said to be negotiating with a leading Russian dancer for the company, and Mr. Rabino is looking forward to engaging two famous Russian singers, whose names he does not wish yet to announce.

An entirely new version of "Iris" is to be produced, with scenery painted by a Japanese artist.

The ballet company is to be augmented, and all operas will be given with complete ballets.

May Deper.

Signor Zambelli, singing with the Boston Grand Opera Company, may leave the organization in order to produce his own opera in New York.

Capit Note.

Police Lane is engaged to marry an Englishman now fighting in the trenches. The vivacious lady refuses to tell his name, but it has leaked out that he is a member of a noble family.

Dancing with Broken Foot.

Volina, the dancer with Pavlova, at the Mason, is suffering with a broken foot. That is, the foot was broken in New York last fall when she was slighting from a car, and he was in the hospital for twelve weeks.

The member is still weak and at times painful, though you behold his brisk and virile dancing.

Ballet dancers are a slave to the everlasting practice and rehearsal. Volina says that even while in the hospital he felt it necessary to keep up his arm exercises.

Oh, Girls, Just Listen!

"Your American men dance better than your American women!" declares Volina. "Your women make it what you call like Hawaiian, but their shoulders—too much rag! But it is much better than when I am here first five years ago. Then—very bad! Everybody, both men and women! New United States have most graceful ballroom dances in the world, even more so France or Russia."

Love's Outdoors.

Falco, singing with the Boston Grand Opera Company at the Mason, is a Kansas City girl, and used to spend her vacations on the prairie ranches. She is very fond of the out-of-door, and especially of horse-back riding. A friend out here owns a string of horses, and has put one at her disposal. Nearly every day she is galloping out toward the foothills or seaward.

"I think singers' throats would not be so delicate if they forced themselves to take more outdoor exercise," says Miss Lane, "and maybe there'd be a little less temperment, too."

Harmony Note.

"Canary Cottage" will soon be numbered among those present on the Rialto. The clever new Morisco-Carroll musical comedy is rapidly taking harmonious form.

Manager Morisco yesterday announced some of his plans in regard to the piece. In the first place, there is the role of a fat man, which the famous comedian, Walter Jones, will portray. Billie Foxworth, the vaudeville, has also been engaged for a good part. Eddie Cantor, the comedian who is making such a hit at the Orpheum this week, will have the role of the negro chauffeur.

Negotiations, though not yet completed with Florence Moore for one of the leading feminine roles, will be settled by the end of next week.

Who will play the part of the little blond canary is still a question. It is likely, however, according to hints from the Morisco office, that a brick New York comedienne who has never before consented to leave Broadway, will be brought West.

Will Blumstein Histo.

Louis Bannison is to come West again to join the Morisco company. Mr. Bannison made a big hit in New York in "The Unchastened Woman."

Don Hineswick.

Word from Australia, where our old friend Donald Bowles went to produce "So Long Letty" for Hugh Ward, states that Don is enjoying a world of artistic success, but is longing for the States.

Can Write, Too.

Frank Fogarty, at the Orpheum, himself writes those delightful little Irish verses he recites so fetchingly. Fogarty has a trunk full of "brows" poems, according only to his wife, Grace Edmund Fogarty, but even according to entirely unprejudiced folk.

Mr. Fogarty sets most of his stories and jokes from life, he says.

"Just about everything in the world, except death and taxes, can be

Artist of the Colorful.



Gertrude Hoffman.

Who is to come to the Orpheum a week from Monday in a tabloid version of "Samuray," her famous oriental ballet.

HUGHES PROMISES NEW WORLD MARK AT CORONA.

THE Corona race is just one month away and already the racing fans of the country are trying to pick a winner. A score of the greatest pilots in the game will be seen in action in the 304-mile classic which is to be run over the circular 2.7-mile boulevard which surrounds the city of Corona.

The race is being promoted by the Citrus Belt Racing Association, an organization of the leading business men of that city, and the indications are that the greatest crowd that ever attended an outdoor sporting event in Southern California will be present when the starter sends the field away in the race for the \$1,000 purse and the Flagler trophy on Saturday, April 8.

When diminutive Eddie Pullen scored his win with the Mercedes November 26, 1914, he averaged 87.5 miles per hour. It is almost a foregone conclusion that this record will be badly shattered this year, as nearly every car that starts will be able to maintain this average.

Hughes Hughes, driver of the twelve-cylinder English Sunbeam, says that he can average 105 miles per hour on the Corona course. Bob Burman, driver of the mighty French Peugeot, estimates that the winner at Corona this year will average better than 107.7 miles per hour, which was established on the Chicago board track. Eddie Pullen made the mark at 100 miles per hour and Oldfield, Cooper, O'Donnell and Lewis predict an average between 87 and 100 miles per hour.

The course at Corona is ready today for a race. All that remains to be done before the course is turned over for practice March 30 is the sweeping of the circuit and the erecting of the official stand, the press stand and the pits. Racing headquarters have already been established in Corona, all committees have been appointed and the work is well under way.

MANY SEEK SITES NEAR WATERFALL.

NATURAL WONDER CREATES A DEMAND FOR CLAIMS.

Forestry Office has no Control Over Land Near New Discovery, Which is Owned by the State—Mountain Trail Will Make Accessible Heights from Which Water Springs.

The announcement that Supervisor Charlton and Forest Ranger Stoen had discovered a magnificent waterfall in the heart of Fish Canyon, in the vicinity of Duarte, had the effect of causing the telephone in the office of the forest supervisor to sing a merry tune yesterday.

Many wanted a chance to secure a cottage site near the new natural wonder, and imagining that first come, first served, they were early on the ground. But they were doomed to disappointment, so far as being able to secure any now is concerned, at least from the agricultural department through the Forest Service.

All of the land below the falls lies in what is known as section 16, and is California school land, which must be secured from the State. The land at the top, where the great volume of water begins to tumble down, is at the base of the mountain, and is not to be reached by the trail, for which a franchise was recently granted.

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Billy Recommends Some New Ball Players.

Portland Will Have Youngest Aggregation.

Short in Years but Long in Experience.

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CONTRACTS MISSING.

Contracts are still missing from Southworth. Portland will have the youngest team this season that has ever worn the Beaver uniform. While youthful from the standpoint of years, the players will be veterans in experience.

Vaughn, Willie, Nixon and Southworth are men who have all been well seasoned in major-league ball. Fisher, Lush, Higginbotham, Harstad, Rothorn and Stumpf are veterans in both the major and minor leagues. Clark, Quinn, Noyes and Ward have had enough experience in the leagues of class A and B to make them well qualified.

Transportation was sent today to Nixon, Ward, Stumpf, Hollister, Quinn and Noyes and these players will start from their homes to join the Beavers at Sacramento next week. If some of the players who are holding out on their contracts do not sign soon they will have to pay their transportation to the camp, according to the Portland owners.

LINCOLN HIGH WINS SPEEDY BALL GAME.

Lincoln High School defeated the Normal School team in a baseball game yesterday by the score of 11 to 6. The Ralists were never in danger and it was only after the game that they learned that the Normal batsmen could do a thing. In the last inning Normal made four of its six runs.

The American Power Boat Association is made up of 149 clubs, with a membership of 25,000 enthusiasts.

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COAST ROUTE TO BE COMPLETED.

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Growing impatient over the long delay in repairing the roads, a special committee representing auto dealers, merchants and the exposition went over the coast route today as far as Oceanside. The committee, composed of J. A. McCaddon, Carl Ferris, John Gillions and Warner Bateman, have started fresh activities on the road.

Tonight a special train was sent to Delmar from here over the Santa Fe with lumber for the Delmar bridge, which will be finished about Tuesday. The committee reports that the San Luis Rey bridge near Oceanside is completed except for the approaches, and that much work is being done on the coast route to make it passable. Later the Supervisors will turn their attention to the inland route.

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TRACKAGE INSPECTED.

City Engineer Hamlin, Owen McAleer of the Board of Public Works, J. C. Clausen of the City Engineer's office and a party of Pacific Electric officials visited the harbor Wednesday to inspect proposed changes of grade that will affect the railway company.

The proposed extension of First street to the waterfront will require either a lowering of the Pacific Electric tracks or the raising of the Southern Pacific tracks. Another inspection made here was the route of the connection to be built to permit cars of the Gardena line to run into San Pedro over the main line, for which a franchise was recently granted.

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FRIDAY MORNING Cities and

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CREDITORS AHEAD
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ADVANCE OF ARREST.

Sheriff had Attached and Carried off Furniture and Locked the Doors Before the Complaint Declaring the Place a Nuisance was Filed—Witnesses Tell About Heccey.

A question having arisen in the proceedings to declare the Mountain Club a nuisance, that the clubhouse was closed before the complaint was filed, Judge Wellborn yesterday continued the action brought against A. Marengo, president of the club, and others, to give time for briefs to be filed.

The Mountain Club maintained a clubhouse and cottages near Montrose. Complaints having been made to the District Attorney that the resort was not properly conducted, an investigation was made. While the complaint was being prepared, the place was attached by the Sheriff in the interest of creditors, the furniture, bought on installments, taken out, and the doors locked.

The evidence before the court yesterday was of a highly diverting character. Witnesses testified that usually between fifteen and twenty women were to be found at the place, some of them recognized as immoral, they said; that liquor was sold and dances indulged in. The loveliness apparently was conducted with not much secrecy. One young woman was observed, it was testified, smoking and drinking and hugging a young man.

POOR LOSERS.
SOUND ADVICE.

Judge Taft delivered a homily yesterday in the suit of George C. Hutchins and his wife against the Garden Colony, Inc., W. L. Brainard, O. E. Cook and J. C. Loving, to recover savings invested in a spurious cactus proposition.

The court gave judgment for the defendants, declaring that consideration must be given to the binding force of contracts made in good faith. There are too many people who make investments and take chances, when they think they will get a large percentage for their money," he said. "When they lose they come into court and declare that they did not know what they were doing."

FOR A NAME.
MUSIC MEN SUE.

In a suit for \$10,000 damages filed in the Superior Court yesterday against R. Platt of the Southern California Piano Company by the Southern California Music Company, the latter corporation alleges the defendant used the name of the former company on account of the ease with which it might be confused with the name under which the plaintiff had transacted business in Southern California for many years.

The plaintiff also asks the court to issue an injunction restraining the defendant from conducting any business on the business of the sale of pianos under the name of the Southern California Piano Company.

"We have a right to conduct our business under the name of our corporation," Mr. Platt said. "The suit is not worthy of serious consideration."

MILK TEST.
BUSINESS HURT.

R. G. Klingerman, an El Monte rancher, had a good market for the milk from his dairy until the Pasadena authorities made a test and found, it is charged, that it contained blood. When the milk dealers saw they could not handle the milk from this dairy they refused to accept shipments and Mr. Klingerman brought suit for \$100 liquidated damages and \$100 attorney's fees.

The defendants were R. M. Covey, O. A. Lühring and John H. Fritz. They appeared in Judge Hewitt's court yesterday, represented by Attorney Carter, and among the experts called by the defense was Dr. Black of Pasadena. It was set up that the defendant were forbidden to distribute the milk from the Klingerman dairy. Mr. Klingerman introduced evidence to show that the milk was wholesome.

IN AND OUT
ABOUT THE COURTS.

DAMAGE SUIT. The spectacular accident at Venice, March 10 last, will be aired in the courts as the case of C. H. Lamkin filing suit against Orville Jones for \$20,000 damages yesterday. While tuning up for the races Mr. Jones's car ran over the embankment at a turn of the race course. Mr. Lamkin was in the car with him. Mr. Lamkin was injured and he alleges Mr. Jones was negligent.

PLEA REJECTED. Donald Erickson, the young man who caused many golfers at the Los Angeles and the Virginia Country Clubs to wonder where they had driven their golf balls, tried to plead guilty to the theft before Judge Craig yesterday. The court would not hear the plea, on technical grounds, suggesting that the defendant should secure an attorney to handle his case. His trial will be heard next Monday.

UPHOLDS REPORT. Judge Sherk yesterday confirmed the report of the referees in the condemnation suit of the city against Marie Armand and 125 other property owners for the widening of Hoover street from Vernon avenue to Fifty-second street. Exceptions to the awards were taken by owners of land in the assessment district, and at the hearing before Judge Sherk experts were called to make value of the property taken. The referees were Alexander Culver, Marshall Stinson and Paul A. Crippen.

NO ENCOURAGEMENT. "Not a chance," Judge Craig did not use these exact words when Jack Reppert asked for probation after pleading guilty to the theft of a Ford, but assured the defendant that he could hold forth little encouragement. Reppert admitted he had stolen the machine, belonging to the San Fernando Mission Land Company, during the early part of February, traveled to San Francisco and sold it there. The court permitted him to file application for the probation, but suggested that it was not likely that it would be granted.

MANSLAUGHTER. Matrimonio Marjorie was convicted of manslaughter yesterday morning Judge Wilbur's court for the killing of Arano Adams. The evidence in the case was largely

circumstantial, but went to prove that it was Marjorie who stabbed Adams on the North Broadway bridge, near the entrance of Elysian Park, on the night of September 11, 1915. Motion for a new trial was made and this will be heard next Tuesday.

INCORPORATIONS. Dickinson Mutual Water Company, incorporators Williams Combs, Phillip Phelan, E. H. Morris and Besse Myrtle Greiver, subscribed stock \$7; Randolph Marketing Company, incorporators W. A. White, Frank B. Rhodes, W. K. Nash, George A. Crandall and Field Sherman, capital stock \$100,000, subscribed \$3300; Light-Rothman Company, incorporators M. Light, Dora Rothman and H. Schwartz, capital stock \$10,000, subscribed \$2; Light House Rescue Mission Society, incorporators Albert E. Morris, Esther B. Morris and Besse Myrtle Greiver, La Scala Grand Opera Company, incorporators L. E. Behymer, Sparks M. Berry, Glen Behymer, J. P. Carney and H. E. Flinn, capital stock \$10,000, subscribed \$5.

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CENSOR BOARD IS SHY.

No appointments to fill the two vacancies in the Motion Picture Censor Board will be made by Mayor Sebastian until the Council decides its course with reference to passing the proposed ordinance to abolish the board.

COUNCILMAN CONWELL AND
WHEELER CANNOT AGREE TO
THE ORDINANCE EVEN IN
ITS MODIFIED FORM.

The passage of this ordinance today looks to me like a political play—and mighty poor politics at that," said Councilman Conwell. "There is certainly no need for such a measure and, besides, it is ridiculously unconstitutional and discriminatory. It is about the worst kind of a political play that I have ever seen."

The point of the testimony was an attempt to show that Gard was guilty of contributory negligence when he approached a gasoline tank car and should have been warned by the presence of gasoline in the air.

A larger crowd than ever of the friends of the dead man thronged the courtroom yesterday. It is expected that the defense will finish its evidence today.



Louis Fortine,
Confessed murderer of the members
of the Furrer family at Oxnard. He
is now in the County Jail here.

born and put him in bed. He made out his check for \$250 before I killed him. After I killed him I harnessed up a team and started to work on the ranch, but it began to rain. It was then I went back and put the bodies in the house. I bought some kerosene in Oxnard in the afternoon, and set fire to the house. Then I walked around by Huemene to Oxnard."

"Why did you do this?" asked the Sheriff. "I don't know," answered Fortine. "Just crazy, I guess."

After the examination Fortine was held, and thence rushed to the Superior Court at Ventura, where he was arraigned. He said he had not secured an attorney and the court appointed Earl Mow to defend him.

Wednesday Fortine's brother visited him at Ventura, and had a long talk with him. Later he told the officers that the journey here was made, the party arriving about 8 o'clock after nearly five hours of travel.

SLAYER ISOLATED.

The prisoner was immediately placed in solitary confinement and the officers from the north gave explicit instructions that he is not to be allowed to talk to anyone pending his return to Ventura for trial.

Fortine was working for Peter Furrer on the latter's ranch near Oxnard. The hired man forged a check for nearly \$250 and when this came to the notice of the ranchman and the latter threatened to have Fortine arrested, the employee killed Furrer with an iron bar. In order to prevent Mr. Furrer from spreading an alarm, the slayer also killed her and then the ten-month-old child of the family. Two days later a hunter discovered the tragedy and when Fortine was arrested on suspicion, he confessed.

He wants to plead guilty but is not anxious to meet with mob violence. There is considerable question in the minds of the authorities as to his sanity and he will be carefully watched while here, and any possible attempt at self-destruction.

CONFESSED READER.

Fortine was given a preliminary examination at Ventura Wednesday. At that time the following confession was read: "I am 23 years of age. I knew Peter Furrer and was working there. I killed him, his wife and baby. I used a bar to do it. I killed Pete first. He was in the barn. After I killed him I went into the house and killed Mrs. Furrer. She was in the kitchen. Mrs. Furrer was not entirely dressed when I killed her. After that I killed the baby. I put them all in bed. I do not know whether or not she had on a corset. I brought Pete from the

school he attended stating he had attended school five days a week, would be paid the money he would otherwise have earned. In fifteen months ninety-five boys were paid various sums. And the money was spent in the hands of the men of the land, who were for either boys or girls are the most dangerous menace to the children of this country which exists today."

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Mr. Duryea, discussing features of child labor in this country, said: "The first argument brought forth against controlling this branch of labor by law, is that of poverty. In New York City this stand was tested. It was announced that every boy under 16 years of age who would procure a certificate signed by the principal of the school he attended stating he had attended school five days a week, would be paid the money he would otherwise have earned. In fifteen months ninety-five boys were paid various sums. And the money was spent in the hands of the men of the land, who were for either boys or girls are the most dangerous menace to the children of this country which exists today."

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